

EXHIBIT B

PLANNING OFFICE
DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS

Beneficiary Consultation
On
Proposed
FY 2009 – 2011 Native Hawaiian
Development Program Plan and
Kulia i ka Nu‘u – Strive for Excellence
Program

RECORD OF COMMENTS
September 14, 2009

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EXHIBIT A

Beneficiary Consultation Meeting Notes
8 meetings statewide

Kaua'i
Chiefess Kamakahelei Middle School Cafeteria
4431 Nuhou Street, Līhu'e
July 30, 2009

KEY POINTS

- Definition of a homestead association
- Criteria for who is eligible to participate in Kūlia

DETAILED COMMENTS

Attendance: Robert Hall, Executive Assistant; Jan Burns, Planning Programs Coordinator; Julie Cachola, Planner; Jessie Hoomalu. 18 people signed in.

Question: You mentioned one vote per lessee what does that mean for the applicant?

Response: We're not saying either way – whether or not an association decides to engage / include applicants in the process.

Question: In your Regional Entity graphic, by region you're talking about Kauai having 3 associations, what makes an association an association by DHHL standards?

Question: How many associations within Anahola does DHHL recognize?

Response: Currently 3 (by beneficiary). Anahola Management Team, SCHAA, Anahola Assoc.. Technically DHHL has not established a formal relationship with an association so that recognized voice hasn't happened yet. DHHL wants to assist in development of a plan.

Question: Getting to the income generating stage within an association, does that make us ineligible for DHHL funds?

Response: No, it makes you eligible. Form the association, get the lands, get the money, you do the work.

Question: When does it officially start?

Response: After Commission approval. To start, write letter of intent to participate.

Question: When we write a letter, you (DHHL) can get all kinds of letters (not necessarily from an accredited (or recognized) association. How do you filter between the group? How will you identify legitimate ones?

Response: There are about 48 associations, we (DHHL) will need to review our criteria on the process and get back to you.

Maui
DHHL Paukūkalo Community Center
655 Kaumuali'i Street, Wailuku
July 27, 2009

KEY POINTS

- This is a collaboration opportunity for Associations to combine efforts and resources
- Participation by Applicants and Undivided lessees
- Role of SCHHA and Hui
- What happens after \$5 million (\$250k per region) is used up?
- Mahalo DHHL for a much better presentation

DETAILED COMMENTS

Attendance: Kaulana Park, Deputy Director; Robert Hall, Executive Assistant; Jan Burns, Planning Programs Coordinator; Gigi Cairel, Planner; Dre Kalili, Community Development Specialist. 22 people signed in.

Question: What happens after 2011 with \$250,000 for 20 regions (totaling \$5 million)?
Associations will need more for community economic development.

Response: **Depends on participants; \$5 million is just seed money. This is a start.**

Question: Does DHHL “weed out” a single regional entity?

Response: **DHHL determines use of funds and land based on association representation/ regional entity interests and goals; NHDPP and Kulia i ka Nuu are flexible (like regional plans).**

Question: How do Undivided Interest lessees participate?

Response: **Undivided Interest lessees and applicants can participate as partners or supporters of associations and regional entities.**

Question: Where do SCHHA and Hui Kakoo fit in? Applicants are not part of associations.
Where do they fit in?

Response: **DHHL values input on how applicants can fit in. Beneficiary Consultation process is the time for input. Give us suggestions on how to involve the applicants. Kulia i ka Nuu is inclusive; creating “one voice” is the overall goal.**

Comment: We (Applicants) should approach the associations and talk about how to get involved as applicants. We have an opportunity to provide input in future projects on homesteads we eventually want to live in.

Comment: Individual associations can hui, but should do so based on beneficiaries' input, not just the organizations'. Existing associations should include applicants and Undivided Interest lessees in the development process.

Comment: This is a "beneficiary movement".

Question: How do associations reach out to applicants and undivided interest lessees? What if association is not open to applicants?

Response: **DHHL encourages inclusiveness, but understands if it's difficult to include applicants.**

FOLLOW UP: The message will snowball. Other stakeholders and beneficiaries will want to participate as momentum [for projects] builds.

Question: Are admin funds available for non-profits?

Response: **Kulia i ka Nuu encourages and builds capacity for other resources (e.g., non-DHHL/OHA grants).**

Comment: Example: Keokea Farmers and Waiohuli Hawaiian Homesteaders Association

Response: **Through Kulia i ka Nuu, associations like Keokea Farmers and WHHA can combine efforts.**

FOLLOW UP: Regional entities = combined voice, but Keokea and Waiohuli can pursue separate projects. The \$250,000 would go to the regional entity. The two groups must kukakuka.

FOLLOW UP: Farming and residents' needs are different.

Comment: This is an ambitious opportunity. We need to let Maui know that this is a challenge. Associations [as a whole] will divide between non-profit [501(c)(3)] and non-status non-profits. How far can our kuleana go?

Question: To launch, can Gigi come to each association? If can, good. If [the community] no like, then no need.

Question: Can DHHL help Keokea and Waiohuli associations hanai the Waiohuli undivided interest lessees?

Response: **Central Maui is already collaborating.**

Question: Regarding land awards, is Puunene part of what could be awarded to the Central Maui regional entity?

Response: Yes, but how much and where need to be determined.

Question: How does DHHL help regional entity acquire land? Does land become part of DHHL inventory?

Response: If regional entity has capacity, it can buy private land.

Comment: This presentation is much better than last year's. Mahalo DHHL for hearing our comments and for re-grouping to make a much better presentation.

Comment: Tell us where the grant funds went in 2007-2009.

Comment: If you want associations to be "capacitized," should associations get involved in energy generation?

Response: Yes, depends on what communities can draw from it.

FOLLOW UP: Can DHHL subsidize conference tuition and fees [for events related to energy generation]?

RESPONSE: Yes, through grants, but these must be planned far in advance.

Question: Is the Power Point presentation available? The presentation is helpful when writing comments.

Response: The presentation will be posted online.

Moloka'i
Kulana 'Oiwi
600 Maunaloa Highway, Kaunakakai
July 30, 2009

KEY POINTS

- Funding available to associations not participating in Kūlia
- Is a 501c3 required? Is a CDC required?
- Participation by Applicants
- Thank you DHHL for offering this to the community

DETAILED COMMENTS

Attendance: Darrell Yagodich, Planning Programs Manager; Gigi Cairel, Planner; Kaleo Manuel, Planner. 12 people signed in.

Question: Is the Moloka'i Regional Plan available?

Response: We have one here, but regional plans can be found on our website

Question: If the association is not a part of the program, what funding will be available for those associations?

Response: Capacity building and Outreach grants (\$5000); Possibly changing the award amount based on the size of group in area (\$15/lessee)

Question: Are there individual grants available? If so, how much? What are the qualifications?

Response: Individual development in the form of scholarships, technical assistance for agriculture and pastoral lessees, and HOAP program.

Question: Is 501c3 a requirement of the Kulia I Ka Nu'u Program? If so why?

Response: We are looking for associations to determine what type of association they want to be and make informed decisions based on all the options available.

Question: So 501c3 is not a requirement?

Response: If the award is in the form of a grant, then it might require the association to have the fed non-profit status.

Question: Would a fiscal sponsor suffice?

Response: Yes; we want to know the legal structure of your association and then go from there

Comment: Policy, procedures, and structures...that's always what you guys say.

Question: If we give you the required documents and fulfill the stage requirements are we done?

Response: We have over 45 associations throughout the state and a majority of our associations are probably at the Kupu stage; the program is geared to those that want to be developers; associations have nothing to lose by being a part of this program; those that want to stay at the beginning stages (Ho'olala, Ho'okumu, Kupu) are still eligible for other grants; the Department is not "pushing" associations to be at a stage they don't want to be; we will work with you to help with the process ie: mailing and contact information

Question: At what stage must the association boards be democratically elected?

Response: Stage 2 – Ho'okumu

Question: Applicants can't be a part of the association being formed right?

Response: Depends on the association. We don't have a "one way" to say what to do or not to do.

Comment: as an applicant you have to determine where you want to live, so they should be allowed to participate within that region, but in the end it is up to the association.

Response: A Hilo association has recommended that one board seat is filled by an applicant to represent applicants within the association

Comment: You talked about regions; Moloka'i is a region; and all of our associations are a part of a larger hui (Ahupua'a o Moloka'i); so we are all at the last stage already

Question: The fifth goal of the strategic plan talks about leading to federal recognition; Does the \$5 million from OHA come from the federal government? If yes, we are going to be subject to litigation if we touch federal funds; Are we going to loose our "identity" and rights as "kanaka maoli" if we are federal recognized?

Response: The \$5 million comes directly from OHA's funds, not federal funds.
Follow up on second part of question.

Question: At the Ka 'ohi stage, what is DHHL's role at that point? Does DHHL need to be a partner with the associations at that stage? The association can be independent. Why are we "sharing management?"

- Response:** Because DHHL provides LAND (asset), the Commission cannot totally relinquish its fiduciary responsibility over that land because they are obligated to protect the trust. HHC/Department and Association to negotiate the management terms.
- Comment:** We work hard as associations, build capacity and then DHHL comes in and interjects. This is my experience with the department. I have learned to be cautious with our lands and resources; those that have power use it politically.
- Response:** DHHL is working on developing a working relationship with the lessees; there are certain things that the lessees need to come back and consult with the department on, but we try to allow the associations to do what they need to do
- Comment:** The community needs to come together because we're all affected.
- Question:** You showed a model and it seems to relate to Community Development Corporations. Is that a requirement to get money? Do we need to form a CDC? Should our strategic plan strive to reach a CDC? Or does it not matter? What qualifies you for dollars? Is it with the formation of a CDC?
- Response:** There are different legal entities that can be formed to hold business properties; The reason a CDC is useful is because of liability; It allows you to have a separate entity to protect your board or association; We are not requiring this particular model and it comes down to what YOUR community wants; How you structure is up to your association; Your association will determine the "form" of your association based on the vision/mission of your association (function before form); It is at the Ho'omakua and Ka 'Ohi stages where associations must show they have the expertise and qualifications to receive larger grant dollars; The department is looking for these skills (board governance, nonprofit financial management, business plan, etc) before awarding large amounts of land and \$\$; it is a BIG investment on behalf of DHHL; This is a fortunate opportunity to have the ability to implement this program.
- Question:** The \$5 million from OHA is for what grant?
- Response:** Economic Development Plan money
- Question:** Is the department funding associations to educate and provide technical training? These capacity building requirements seem intimidating.
- Response:** We have a lot of models to follow. There is no specific ONE model. There are many other educational resources and training available beyond what DHHL provides. We encourage you to access a variety of resources appropriate to your Association's needs to help you achieve your mission. This is also part of self-determination – to seek resources that are right for you.
- Comment:** Associations need the technical training to make these decisions and we

MAY NOT be qualified.

Comment: We need to trust our associations; it is going to take time to get these things accomplished.

Response: There are outside opportunities and training resources available and not only DHHL; We want to provide other opportunities; some homesteads have land already and we're hoping that they can be mentors – learn what to do and not to do.

Comment: Thanks for offering the community this. We need to get together with our associations.

Response: Please call or email our office if there are any questions or comments.

Question: Should we partner together to share expenses?

Response: YES, it's hard to do it alone.

Other

Q: Is the water pump fixed?

A: George – county's one is fixed, but ours is not; hopefully in 3 weeks should be up and running

Q: Is there still a moratorium on subdividing agricultural lots?

A: No answer. FOLLOW UP.

O'ahu (Honolulu)
Lincoln Elementary School Cafeteria
615 Auwaiolimu Street, Honolulu
August 4, 2009

KEY POINTS

- We like this
- How does Kulia program fit in with Regional Plans?
- Association staff time should be an allowable DHHL grant expense. It takes staff to run programs and manage projects
- Clarification on Kulia program eligibility – the homesetead association at grassroots level? The regional entity such as Papakolea CDC?
- Assistance with starting up Native Hawaiian-Owned (NHO) business. Assistance with acquiring /partnering with NHO 8a businesses

DETAILED COMMENTS

Attendance: Kaulana Park, Deputy Director; Kamana'o Mills, Special Assistant; Gigi Cairel, Planner; Jessie Hoomalu. 12 people signed in.

Question: How does this Program fit into Regional Plan

Response: **The Regional Plan process will help to identify the priority projects and potential land parcels**

Question: Would the Bowl-a-drome be an option to consider

Response:

Comment: We like the process.

Question: Will the 3 Associations with its Board Members be part of this program
Will there be separate funding or will it merge w/Regional Plan

Response: **Yes, the 3 grassroots community associations will be part of Kulia.
Regards to funding - remember - the new Community Economic Development grant (up to \$250,000) is one per region. It is up to the associations and other organizations within the Region to determine which one will serve as the grant applicant.**

Comment: Not all of the Associations may have their 501 (c) (3)
CDC to help the 3 associations, as they do not have that capacity
We want the entire community to know about this program and process
Papakolea is beginning their Regional Plan, how can the Community express what they want.

Question: Are there funds in Phases 1 & 2 for staff, rent, etc. funding for organizations

Response: **Monies have not been earmarked to pay for staff salaries. We will need to look into that.**

Question: It takes staff to run Associations and to manage projects. Right now, many Associations are run by volunteers and it's been hard. Will DHHL grant funds pay for staff, rent etc. and other expenses for Organizations

Response: **Historically, DHHL grant funds have not paid for association staff time. We will need to look into this. At a minimum, we would expect that the \$250,000 economic development grant can be used for staff time, in proportion to the time they spend on the economic development project.**

Question: Will DHHL help Organizations become NHOs (SBA Native Hawaiian-Owned businesses)?

Response: **If we have the appropriate resources for it, we may be able to. The goal of Kulia is community building. Our primary focus will be on community-based economic development ventures where proceeds benefit the community as a whole.**

Question: Do the Organizations have the option of acquiring businesses like 8(a)s?

Response: **Anything is an option. We encourage organizations to first clearly define its vision, mission, and purpose, then make an informed choice for its structure and sub-structures or partnerships. If an association wants to acquire an 8a business, they have to figure that out and weigh the pros and cons and how does it fit into their mission. Only the organization can make that choice.**

Question: Who exactly is the program for?

Response: **Associations at the grassroots homestead community level**

Comment: Comment was made from Papakolea CDC that they view their role as supporting the community grassroots associations - Papakolea, Kalawahine Streamside, Kewalo. And, that the work of Papakolea CDC is done under the direction of the three community associations.

Question: Is the Department willing to change the allowable use of grant funds to include paying for Association staff?

Response: **In reference to the new Community Economic Development (CED) grant (up to \$250,000 per region), we would expect an Association to show they have a development team -- could be a combination of Association staff and consultants. The \$250,000 grant should pay for that, in proportion to the time they spend on the CED project. In regards to other DHHL grants (project implementation and regional plan priority project grants), our intent is to propose to allow grants to pay for Association staff in proportion to staff time spent on the project the grant was awarded for.**

O'ahu (Kapolei)
Kapolei Elementary School Cafeteria
91-1119 Kama'aha Loop, Kapolei
August 5, 2009

KEY POINTS

- Any examples of associations that have gone through this “stages” process?
- Re-visit Kūlia requirements for Association membership
- Role for applicants not yet on land, not yet a lessee
- Associations charge member dues in order for us to vote
- We conducted board elections, do we have to re-do this?

DETAILED COMMENTS

Attendance: Darrell Yagodich, Planning Programs Manager; Jan Burns, Planning Programs Coordinator; Gigi Cairel, Planner; Julie Cachola, Planner; Kaleo Manuel, Planner; Jessie Hoomalu. 15 people signed in.

Question: Any associations who have gone through this process? If so, what success?

Response: Yes, e.g., Nanakuli, Waimanalo, Kapolei, Papakolea have land, strategic plan.

Question: What status of new chairman? When named?

Response: Governor announced today appointment of Kaulana Park as the new HHC Chairman.

Question: Kaupea, 2 years; Nanakuli, 55 years. Bylaws have changed over the years. Primary membership = lessees – never happened.

200 members/ 1200 lessees/ 6000 people

2/3 not lessees, they reside on homestead

Bulk has carried agenda over the years

Need to revisit membership requirement

Have a range of ages of Associations, grew differently, should have consideration of past work experience

Your agenda may not apply

Implement beneficiary consultation plan to id this program

Look at community as all-inclusive, not just lessees

Question: Do you have to be a lessee living on property (?) to be voted in? To serve on committee? How does this serve me if I don't live on the land/ if not a lessee?

Response: **Depends on program – HOAP, scholarships available to all.**

Question: Explain what third party reviewer means.

Response: **For elections, could be DHHL, League of Women Voters.**

Question: If association has 500 homes, but only 50 people show up and vote, is the election valid?

Response: Yes. Think of this as any other public elections in a political jurisdiction (such as City & County of Honolulu) where only 10% of the people come out to vote.

Question: If association has membership dues, only dues paying members can vote?

Response: **Trying to change from homeowners' dues paying association to "citizen" don't have to pay fee.**

We can pay \$15/ lessees. Dues that we can pay for communication.

Question: Does this negate elections that already occurred?

Response: **No. This is where we would have a conversation together. We understand there will need to be a transition period for all this.**

Question: For economic development projects, who decides what lands for what projects? Does DHHL already have lands "kapu" for certain...

Response: **Through Regional Plans process and ultimate decision made by HHC.**

Comment: DHHL should award lands to applicants so can participate.

Response: **We should get them on the land so we do not have a wait list. That is a goal of the Department and there is a process for that. What we are presenting tonight is a process for the current homestead communities to move forward to access training, grants and land for the community.**

**O'ahu (Waimānalo)
Blanche Pope Elementary School Cafeteria
41-133 Huli Street, Waimānalo
August 4, 2009**

KEY POINTS

- Any current homestead projects that are revenue-generating?
- Pastoral and Ag lot assistance?
- Working with legislators

DETAILED COMMENTS

Attendance: Micah Kane, Chairman; Jan Burns, Planning Programs Manager; Julie Cachola, Planner; Dre Kalili, Community Development Specialist. 18 people signed in.

Question: Are funds for program available now? For 40 yrs. DHHL hasn't done what they said; different people, commitment, no delivery.

Response: Yes. HHC approved budget funds [(development = \$157M) (operations from land)] available. Portion of commission authority is transferred to community.

Question: What are other community-based income generating projects?

Response: In Waimānalo, through Regional Plans, community developed plan for industrial park (includes extension of Waikupanaha Road).
- Moloka'i; partnership with First Wind – UPC Wind (alternative energy company).
- Kaua'i; Anahola Town Center
- Hilo; Maku'u Farmers Market

Question: Are homestead association members (on other islands / from other areas) available online?

Response: They will be. Waimānalo community leadership is available.

Question: Kumuhau / Kaka'ina update?

Response: Contractor selected, models for turn key will be presented soon.

Question: Is there a plan for Bellows?

Response: If any Bellows lands came back to DHHL inventory, Regional Plan and consultation would determine use. Commercial opportunity is possible mauka of 7-11. Community support increases value of projects.

Question: Can DHHL help keep water costs low for community lo'i project?

Response: Yes. Nā Kupa'a o Kūhiō can help. Apply for USDA-RUS funds.

Question: Will agricultural lands be available in Waimānalo?

Response: Not likely.

Question: Pastoral & Ag lot reference in ppt.?

Response: Assistance provided to P/A lessees at Honokaia, Pu'ukapu, Hawai'i Island.
- Planning Office to house Agricultural Division

Question: Should pastoral applicants not wait for pastoral leases?

Response: Not necessarily. Subsistence ag. on ½ acre lots may be possible.
Depends on future HHC initiative; Beneficiaries can advocate for this.
Waimānalo area waitlist has not been exhausted.

Question: How can the community approach legislators/elected officials?

Response: Create a block "unified" vote.

**East Hawai'i
Waiākea Elementary School Cafeteria
2420 Kīlauea Avenue, Hilo
July 28, 2009**

KEY POINTS

- Legal structures for homestead associations
- Role for applicants
- Formation of an association for applicants
- \$250,000 is not enough
- Under Kūlia, what does "association-DHHL partnership" mean? What does it mean in terms of land management?

DETAILED COMMENTS

Attendance: Robert Hall, Executive Assistant; Jan Burns, Planning Programs Coordinator; Gigi Cairel, Planner; Dre Kalili, Community Development Specialist. 50 people signed in.

Question: The "democratically elected board" refer to the community association [boards]?

Response: Yes.

Comment: **For changes to Administrative Rules, DHHL will do consultation AND formal public hearings. Congressional approval is not required for changes to Administrative Rules.**

Question: What is Act 302?

Response: **A tool for empowerment and self-sufficiency. Includes broad guidelines. Is not tied to Administrative Rules yet.**

Comment: Regional Plan: Draft of 8/04/08 does not list moratorium, but it was voted as top priority.

Response: **DHHL values input on how applicants can fit in. Kulia i ka Nuu is inclusive; creating "one voice" is the overall goal.**

Question: What do "resources" mean? Infrastructure? Clearing land?

Response: **Not necessarily. "Self-sufficiency" starts with seed money (\$250,000) – it cannot be DHHL providing all.**

FOLLOW UP: DHHL's mission includes providing infrastructure on land for community use.

Comment: What can \$250,000 do? It's not enough. Not what we need.

Question: Has the NHQ changed?

Response: **NHQ is still 50% blood quantum.**

Comment: How do applicants fit in association's democratic elections? [DHHL] needs to clear applicant list before associations pursue this (Kulia i ka Nuu).

Question: Are HHC authorities being transferred to associations?

Response: **Participation [in Kulia i ka Nuu] is optional. This program doesn't change HHCA. DHHL can work with Hui Kakoo to determine how applicants fit.**

FOLLOW UP: Is HHC amenable to being elected?

Question: Panaewa Plan: what about doing store-front houses and town centers? More applicants on land PLUS self-sufficiency.

Question: Is 501(c)(3), a charitable organization, the best structure? What is the need for democratic elections? Are associations not elected democratically?

Question: How is the program funded?

Response: **NHRF and OHA partnership funds.**

Question: Can association/ community be part of dialogue with developers?

Response: **DHHL needs to improve its work with its beneficiaries, but we can only move forward, not undo what's already been done.**

FOLLOW UP: Beneficiaries need representation during negotiations.

RESPONSE: Community input must go in Requests for Proposals (RFPs); the negotiating table is too late for good community input to have an impact.

Question: What is Bob Hall's mana'o on sale of leases?

Response: **Some families speculate, make a large gain without doing anything. Is that Kuhio's vision? Administrative Rules need to change. DHHL must build values into how we do work.**

Comment: The expectation of DHHL is to be a land owner. Will associations become land managers? Kulia i ka Nuu is a long process, but we need a better idea of what the association-DHHL partnership means.

Question: What if community has no money? What support is there for other economic structures? DHHL is not for you if you're broke.

Response: HOAP and Undivided Interest awards help address these issues.

Comment: Why did DHHL bring in fiber optics? Everyone uses cell phones. We really need water.

Response: Sandwich Isle Communications brought in fiber optic infrastructure at no cost to DHHL.

Question: Has DHHL considered allowing applicants to form their own association(s)?

Response: Yes, it's a possibility. We know applicants want a voice.

Question: If association [in audible]?

Response: This process can help establish a standard for how an association is built.

Question: How does DHHL address deceased applicants on the wait list?

Response: DHHL has a process that begins with a 180-day notice period.

Question: Can DHHL assess all power lines, waterlines, etc. that go through DHHL lands?

**West Hawai'i
Kealakehe High School Cafeteria
74-5000 Puohulihuli Street, Kona
July 29, 2009**

KEY POINTS

- Role for Applicants; consider postponing Kulia program until this is resolved
- Waimea discussed a board seat for Applicants
- Association organizational documents (Articles, By-Laws)

DETAILED COMMENTS

Attendance: Micah Kane, Chairman; Robert Hall, Executive Assistant; Jan Burns, Planning Programs Manager; Gigi Cairel, Planner; Dre Kalili, Community Development Specialist. 19 people signed in.

Question: What is the meaning and context of capacity-building grants?

Response: Some associations use them for newsletters, computers, and outreach.

Question: When DHHL hosts leadership meetings, does DHHL pick up travel costs?

Response: Yes. These costs are investments in our communities.

Comment: This capacity-building program is not for applicants.

Response: It's primarily directed to lessees, but does not necessarily exclude applicants. We welcome suggestions to better address applicants in Kulia i ka Nuu.

FOLLOW UP: Will HHC postpone decision-making until policy is amended to include applicants?

RESPONSE: Would not recommend postponing. We need to start and we are all learning as we go along together

FOLLOW UP: Waimea has "associate members" (Applicants) who participate in its association. And, Waimea has discussed a board seat for an Applicant rep.

RESPONSE: In previous beneficiary consultation meetings, applicants have asked about associations in area so they can join/ participate. Applicants have critical role in advocating for getting more Hawaiians on the land.

FOLLOW UP: Hui Kakoo cannot access the \$250,000 grants, but has plans and feasibility studies on projects. Applicants are discriminated against in this project.

Comment: We are looking for economic development. Lai Opua can meet that and will generate money for the association and for DHHL. Lai Opua [2020] brings social infrastructure to the region. Recently, Lai Opua 2020 adopted a renewable energy plan and formed a new organization – Lai Opua CDC, a 501 (c)(3). Lai Opua encourages interested beneficiaries to join.

Has DHHL determined how master DCCR will include all future villages?

Response: **Current structure (of DCCR) does not allow for Kaniohale to make all decisions. The future association members should discuss this and then decide.**

Comment: Can DHHL send template of Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws for associations to follow?

Response: **DHHL doesn't want to be so confining and limiting. Association documents should be assessed "as is."**

FOLLOW UP: Community would like to avoid staff pulling apart documents if the community doesn't know the minimum criteria.

EXHIBIT B

Mailout Survey Results

Native Hawaiian Development Program Plan, 2009 - 2011

July - August 2009

Updated September 6, 2009

QUESTION #1. On a scale of 1 to 5, how do you rate the importance of each service?

Beneficiary consultation

Response	Frequency	Percent
5 Excellent	94	51%
4	29	16%
3	17	9%
2	16	9%
1 Poor	15	8%
N/A	7	4%
Missing	8	4%
	186	100%

HOAP Services

Response	Frequency	Percent
5 Excellent	85	47%
4	34	19%
3	15	8%
2	9	5%
1 Poor	10	5%
N/A	15	8%
Missing	14	8%
	182	100%

Ag Tech Assistance

Response	Frequency	Percent
5 Excellent	78	42%
4	35	19%
3	19	10%
2	10	5%
1 Poor	17	9%
N/A	17	9%
Missing	11	6%
	187	100%

Regional Plans

Response	Frequency	Percent
5 Excellent	74	40%
4	38	21%
3	21	11%
2	13	7%
1 Poor	16	9%
N/A	13	7%
Missing	10	5%
	185	100%

Grants

Response	Frequency	Percent
5 Excellent	93	49%
4	36	19%
3	12	6%
2	13	7%
1 Poor	13	7%
N/A	12	6%
Missing	9	5%
	188	100%

ANALYSIS

All Categories	
4 and higher	64.5%
3 and higher	73.2%
avg # response	186

Scholarships

Response	Frequency	Percent
5 Excellent	93	50%
4	30	16%
3	13	7%
2	17	9%
1 Poor	13	7%
N/A	11	6%
Missing	9	5%
	186	100%

188 -- TOTAL RESPONSES

Question 1: Other services I'd like to see offered	
1	Opportunities to learn about above services. I don't understand fully of some of these services
2	Some of us don't qualify 4 home loans. That's where grants could accommodate families least fortunate then work out from family income to pay mortgage
3	Support & provide educational opportunities at schools located on/within Hawaiian Home Lands
4	When letters are sent pay the postage on return letters so your DHHL can get more input from your clients who don't have computers or online !
5	To also help with the Kupunas. Those who are on Hawaiian Homestead Land who are Tutu's can not care for their own land. We need to help them too including the disable ones too
6	Agriculture assistance will include financial assistance or loan application process
7	Follow up on ALL programs with the individuals; if it's ag then are they doing ag, or pasture then are they raising proper animals, or residential are they raising rusted cars!!!
8	Housing for self independent living, for single and couple Kupuna building homes. Oahu already have for Kupunas. Bless you ☺ (smiling face)
9	Assistive grants to pay off back taxes. More information on programs that assist more homesteaders
10	Agricultural financial loans or assistance. Leased lands are difficult to qualify for loans
11	Agricultural homelands being offered not just put homes that were already lived in
12	Specific beneficiary consultation categories ie: property development, county information access, professional assistance (architect, drafting, plumbing, etc)
13	Business plans resource; agricultural loans
14	Reverse all diseases in 30 days; lose weight & keep it off
15	A park at Kuhio village for our children to play. Services for our elders and children with disabilities
16	I want to emphasize - scholarship monies for our children to attend college. Education is important
17	Family help build each others home. Offer class for building permit
18	Most people are always questionning, how are your percentage is calculated to be accepted into Department of Hawaiian Home lessee program and will their either be openings for say 20 percent of Hawaiian blood
19	Private school scholarships for Hawaiian children from preschool through high school
20	None
21	One-on-one financial consultation: budgeting, unnecessary spending, etc -- planning meals (groceries are so expensive here in Hawaii plus we are taxed on top of it) gas prices so high (family time at home)
22	DHHL needs to revamp their Rules to accommodate the many changes Hawaiians had to make
23	N/A
24	More homes/infrastructures in nearby city instead of out parts of O'ahu. Too far from inner city
25	To help disables like me who have bad credit and can't work to pay up my bad credit because of bad back with (four) screws and a metal plate between.
26	Programs to help our kids who are in need of tutoring, after school programs, summer camps, assistance for jobs.

27	All C. Can't think of any for now.	unity assoc. be going authority to be warn and slight lesses for upkeep o. Jerty to remove trash, junk cars, etc.
28	People call to speak with a credit counselor- return phone calls.	
29	Technical training	
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31	Community services for the native youth- get the youth in Hawaiian Homes involved in the community-community youth programs.	
32	Job-placement assistance	
33		
34	More pastoral and ag-land available to leases, on the outer islands.	
35	See item 4	
36	1. Tech. assistant of alternative energy resources. 2. More timely and consistent assistance in our efforts of the preservation of historical and archaeological sites. 3. Assistance in developing a program such as Habitat for Humanity to help homesteaders build their homes. Hawaiians helping Hawaiians.	
37	Focus must be putting applicants on the land.	
38	Maintaining of a safe, clean, and healthy home, lifestyle, family management.	
39	Building grants for older home improvements.	
40	Put more Hawaiians on the land.	
41	I'd like to see more none-Fiwac type of loan. To build on Hawaiian Homestead Land E-z plan to get homeland. Been on for so many years and nothing for me but others get on.	
42		
43		
44	1. Homeowners and Small business insurance companies. 2. Bank or Credit Union 3. Legislative Seats for Comm. Assoc. per island.	
45	Scholarships for K-12 private school edu. Grants and loans to develop/improve ag. Lots to make farming/ranching more successful. Workshops/scheduled trainings throughout islands some of those programs, offering everyone an opportunity to better understand how to utilize their benefits.	
46	One thing I would like is to pass down my homestead land when my name comes up to my children but correct me if I'm wrong, do they need to be 50% Hawaiian too?	
47	Seminars to educate our people anger management, depression, confidence, builder's workshops.	
48	Grant Writing= How to write grants, in depth training on grant writing.	
49	Kupuna housing program if any for the future.	
50	Fast offering of lands. Look at the list of names. What is the average wait time?	
51	Can't think of one but all services currently offered are greatly appreciated.	
52	The newsletter should contain what the surrounding community offers homesteaders, etc. In Kapolei with the incoming McDonalds community center, what kinds of activities will the homesteaders be able to participate. Will there be a pre-school, after-school program for kids, costs, etc.	
53	More you have?	
54	Grant Writing Classes	
55	May I have a list of Kawaiahae Res. Lot Availability like sale or lot	
56	Youth financial awareness. (Managing your money, investment). Classes	
57	Reduce the Quorum Blood line for lesses to 25%. No more 50% anymore. This is so important for our many (less than 50%) Hawaiians who wants a home. Help them.	
58	Better boards in the community. There are a lot of neighbor problems , CCR problems, etc. Address these first.	
59	The reason I circled N/A many times is because it hasn't affected me. HOAP scholarships, grants, agricultural seems to be offered only to those who know how to seek them.	
60	Doing fundraising for a worthy charity as a whole community participation. Also get community leaders, celebrity and overcome involve.	
61	Low income, transitional housing for employed, drug-free, single parent, first gen. college, applicants.	

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62	Free services Med Dental Hospital Stay, Home stay.
63	Beneficiary consultation and grants.
64	I would like to be able to have more interest of credit service. So I can build my credit.
65	Community pasture; self-sufficiency.
66	Some of us don't have funds to make improvements. Can't even get OHA loans.
67	Kapuna housing.
68	Free Grants for agriculture lots so Hawaiians can farm and start their own business.
69	I would be nice to have a medical and dental plan for Native Hawaiians or even an investment plan on life insurance.
70	I would like the community meetings held, be recorded and the minutes on hand, hard to follow through. What is proposed many times are not carried out.
71	Teach or educate our people in all this plans that we do now. Some are hard to understand.
72	Affordable housing for the elderly!! It's pathetic you can't provide affordable housing for the elderly Native Hawaiians.
73	Waiting to have in Hawaiian Homes
74	To see Hawaiians who cannot get land and some people can get more than one land. To me that's not fair. I'm having a hard time to just get one land. Hawaiian people don't have money to get one land.
75	I finally got on the list. Several attempts 20 years ago were futile. My daughter in 2009 while attending college in Honolulu used my resources from 20 years ago to qualify. I bought and built my own residence in 1988.
76	How to care for our own personal health. Know why we suffer from whatever and what to do before seeking expensive health care insurance plans.
77	Grant-writing available once associations are formed being available to all members-the give back is to help the homestead association write for grants to help the association first.
78	Implementation of proposal projects.
79	Don't their help grant on House of not working that need repairs, plus we need to move junk cars on the road in Hawaiian Homes honest in Waianae Valley, car not running or moveable at on Kaneilio St. and others street in Homestead. To many's junk on the road.
80	Technical assistance to province economic opportunities to homestead lessees.
81	More education regarding the above scale.
82	Stop! Home owners within the community from using their home as a auto repair shop! Exercise police patrols at least three times a week throughout our entire Hawaiian Communities for security.
83	I would like to see a park in our neighborhood. There's a lot of kids here. They all play on the road.
84	Our community (Kaniohale) needs transportation (bus system) to be connected with other areas of Kona. Can we get a bus stop?
85	Start our own credit union, one that caters to members of Hawaiian ancestry.
86	Hawaiian homes have never been HELPFUL unless you're already in the cliques/don't like assn. because I like it as it is.
87	I lived in Panaewa for 33 years. The HH advisors here need a little help. We need people with real experience that can help us with selling produce.
88	It would be ideal if lessees who don't use their land turn it back in for someone else, instead of selling and getting greedy more enforcement of proper use intended away.
89	Community center.
90	Rental units in Honolulu
91	On the job programs for the Native (creating more jobs)
92	Cottage industry business incubator
93	Disability program. Low income program (\$1300 / month)
94	All services are very important! And Mahalo for your kokua, college courses and maybe a campus here in Waimanalo.
95	You have covered a lot. Quite an undertaking. Hopefully it will be successful to all, for all!
96	Plan large apartments with stores on the ground floor to create self-sufficient business \$.

8	Yes. It allows empowerment w/in the homestead communities
9	Yes
10	What is capacity building? The plan changes on page 3 are excellent
11	Yes. I've seen many Hawaiian Kupunas living in Hale Mahaolu on Maui. Why not? Have our own Hawaiian land grant for affordable housing on aging (single one bedroom w/living room & bathroom; married couple with bathroom)
12	Not sure
13	Very much so. I feel as a lessee and a former beneficiary that this could help out homesteaders to grow
14	Yes, but I would need to know more about the plan
15	Yes.
16	Not fully informed of any items regarding NHDPP. I only received letter asking if I would be interested in homes left on foreclosures live-in more interested in agricultural lands to do progress in relating to my culture
17	Yes, but how does land parcel opportunities related to its other published goals?
18	I guess so
19	Yes
20	some what
21	(a) I am 75% Hawaiian. I do not live on HHLands. Where is my benefits come up? (b) cared for my Mother Papakolea Margaret 2402 Kaululaau Street; c) I am disabled paying mortgage & loan for Mother Sister told my not to
22	In order for DHHL to Strive for Excellence, you need to improve our areas and give all Kupuna's to have a say in things. Not the younger ones. There are applicants who have waited a long time on the list. And Beneficiaries who already have been awarded lands are given more
23	Yes
24	yes
25	yes
26	Don't know enough
27	Will this program help our children, childrens who may have even less hawaiian blood, when they have mixed marriages other than marrying within their own culture. That's been prying on a lot of Hawaiians now and thinking of the future
28	Absolutely
29	Yes, this would help the homestead community to come together to play their future
30	Yes
31	don't understand what is NHDPP ?
32	Yes, Big Mahalo !
33	I believe it is a positive step towards community management. Every communities' challenges are different!
34	Yes. Any program will assist our people for a better life and future. We love to prepare our children's future- real soon!
35	If I could work it's a good approach, but with two screws in L-4 in lower back and two screws in L-5 lower back then it's no cause in building my beneficiaries with a bad credit and disable.
36	Yes. I believe it is.
37	I think so. Do something about lots awarded and not being used. Ex. corner of Ahuna-Kahaopea St.
38	This is an upgrade approach to have our own beneficiaries to care, protect the environment.
39	Yes. But the people who needs help should receive the help when they call to get it.
40	Wonderful!
41	Yes.
42	Redefine capacity-building. Is this an important issue for improving the Native Hawaiian communities?
43	Yes.
44	I feel this is an excellent approach.
45	I don't understand why Hawaiians are accepting leases only to later sell it.

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46	Yes! I wast Leadership and Boardmanship training sessions are essential for strengtheni oney in sending association officers in training sessions in Honolulu. Ins then you'll get a better sense of which associations are on track in developing their community and which ones will have the trust of their community leaders.
47	I don't know what "capacity building" means. And I don't understand what kind of training program will offer or how a grant will or can be used. Yes.
48	Yes it is an excellent approach to "capacity building." Yes.
49	
50	Yes- 501 © 3 which is an organization should not be the main focus or the organization (assn.)
51	Yes. This tool was a great idea! All should take this opportunity and strive for self-sufficing and sustainability. It's the future. Yes.
52	
53	Yes.
54	Yes.
55	Yes I feel that it's great and a good approach to building Hawaiian Homes and its beneficiaries.
56	Yes. Where are Hawaiians are homeless and without relief.
57	Yes. Plan, start, grow, harvest, and be mature. Help over Hawaiian people that really need it. Kid's education? Yes.
58	Yes.
59	Yes- as you start Kulia I Ka Nu'u you will see where you need to tweak program to fit the community.
60	Yes, I think it's a good and fair approach. For the building anything for all the DHHL beneficiaries, more opportunities opened are more the merrier.
61	Yes if the participants of the "group" are working for the benefit of the community's needs and not their own desires. They need to be more better at advertising/announcing opportunities instead of doing word of mouth.
62	Yes!!!
63	Wonderful. It seems well thought out and the approach is very supportive.
64	I think that as a "role model," to all Hawaiians Queen Kapiolani quote, "Kulia I Ka Miu" is a wonderful approach to jump off at. Yes I believe so. Many Kanaka Maoli has been on the waitlist longer that I've been alive. No disrespect to DHHL we all know there's many, many of us. I would love to have a part of land that my ancestors once walked on.
65	
66	Yes it does.
67	Yes.
68	I feel that this approach will set goals for the homestead associations to work towards. Yes- perhaps bringing more awareness of greater, quality education on a path towards greater sustainability in all fates of individual perpetuation.
69	
70	Yes.
71	If it is a "strategic plan" with mission, goals, and projected timetables to accomplish said mission, like what Kamehameha schools are doing. Yes.
72	
73	That's good.
74	Yes.
75	Yes. The more programs that strengthen, trains, and educates definitely promotes self-sufficiency and self determination of Hawaiian individuals and Native Hawaiian communities.
76	Yes I agree with the approach.
77	I think it is.
78	I will need to learn about this program more in order to have a better opinion on it.
79	I believe so. It has to have some start so we can grow. There should be a time-frame as to how long the individual can set on the board.

80	Yes, it helps Hawaiians to be self-supportive and decision makers in their community.
81	Yes, I pray we are able to open, expand the blood-line qualifications. As long as one can trace "Hawaiian" blood in their lineage, they/we should be granted leases for homes.
82	I like the concept. The approach is okay. But I somehow don't feel "comfortable" with the word "excellence" to what degree? And for whom?
83	Are "your" goal-objectives defining/meeting "it" how?
84	I think it's a good approach and we need to continue to strive for excellence especially now a days with the economy we all are experiencing today.
85	Yes.
86	Yes. It is a goal that all should set for themselves and for NHDPP to we this statement will hold accountability.
87	It's good if it benefits Hawaii future, the Keikis, and kapunas, and the people.
88	Yes.
89	I'm willing to enter the program.
90	You need to define "capacity building"
91	Please have Kapuna housing here in Hilo.
92	The Hawaiian homelands needs to support the Beneficiaries to give them the money from federal grants to form their own agricultural lots.
93	Yes, but is there a fee for members?
94	Yes.
95	Yes.
96	It is very helpful.
97	Yes it will be the communities steps into having a voice withing the larger community or country and state. The overthrow was a horrendous set by those who thought the could "kill" the Hawaiian raw. Our Queen stepped down to save her people and by her I believe our Kanaka moi was saved and thriving today. Our voices should be heard abd this is a good way to start.
98	Need to review and check implementation process and determine the adequacy of the program.
99	In some way it's good but most of the time lost of Hawaiian get hard time to get help to get one house. There must be a better way to help Hawaiians on low income get a Home or building to give to their beneficiaries because they can't get land to build.
100	Definitely.
101	Yes.
102	I thought it was a summer program that Kamehameha Schools. Kapalama has a similar program my daughter attended in High school. If this is new and the name is the same. Imua! Excellent! It's a start for improvements.
103	Yes. I love the strategic approach to each level was established, Ho'olala, Ho'okuma, Kupu, Ho'omakua.
104	Yes.
105	Yes.
106	ABSOLUTELY! Hawaiian Homestead associations can be powerful and beneficial to everyone with the right programs offered and with good participation.
107	Yes!!
108	It's a good plan, it reall should be helpful all around.
109	As far as I can understand it, I think it's good.
110	NHDPP needs to help fix homes that are in needs of help to repairs asweel. They needs grants helps.
111	Yes!
112	Yes. A little more awareness via education for the Hawa children and Kupunas.
113	From what I've read and understand, I believe it's an excellent opportunity for benefitries.
114	Yes.

115	Yes.	I am intly not a DHHL recipient but am on the list. The one thing in organizing association such as this for a group of people who have many differences (job experience, work experience, personal resources, etc.) is that it can easily become a two.
116	Not much is known about it and what it has done thus far.	
117	Not sure.	
118	Not sure.	
119	Yes.	
120	Yes, Yes.	
121	I think it shows a positive support in the needs of our people and sustainability.	
122	Yes, this is a good approach.	
123	This is a beginning!	
124	No. Majority of Hawaiian's work but money is not what they have is "self-esteem" so you may have an assoc. and because on must not have the \$ don't get awarded.	
125	Yes.	
126	Yes,	
127	Yes...it is trying to achieve excellence.	
128	'ae!	
129	Yes	
130	Yes. The governance piece is essential to DHHL's fiduciary responsibility to us beneficiaries	
131	For sure! Empowering communities strengthens us as hawaiians; and gives an example to our youth for the future. Mahalo Nui.	
132	Yes, it certainly is. I know of no other like this.	
133	this is O.K., but should not detract from getting people on the land. (Purpose by law).	
134	Yes.	
135	It should be mandatory and because we are the same people as was the vision of Prince Kuhio.	
136	This idea should be brought to attention to again DHHL, DOLNR, Legislature, to President of Washington and also congress to help with all of the issues etc.	
137	Yes, however how successful have the previous plans been specifically for panaewa and East Hawaii? It's a good idea to develop programs to help train the community association	
138	It's a start. I guess it depends how it is used - or not used...	
139	Yes.	
140	Yes.	
141	Yes, this is a start.	
142	mahalo for exploring the process very exciting to enter to the process.	
143	Yes - however the problem is finding a place to have this community lo'i - or other agricultural ventures.	
144	Yes, Big Mahalo!	
145	this sounds like an excellent approach to my prior comment.	
146	This flyer doesn't tell much about it.	
147	Not sure what's it about.	
148	Annual meetings discussions on land issues we need to be informed - take a stand - have the people speak out not us them. We need too!	
149	Unsure. I am unaware of what Kulia I ka nū u is and what it is about.	
150	Yes, I think it's the right approach in the right direction for DHHL and it's beneficiaries.	
151	I need their background relationship.	
152	It's a wonderful idea, I do hope that the people in the communities do take advantage of the program or participate.	
153	I feel the beneficiaries need knowledgeable help, in maintaining their lifestyle, heritage and birth right, with acknowledging the Hawaiian, as first person, and 50% blood quantum.	
154	Yes	

22	Yes, w "do y moment	ould vote on everything with the boards. Because there are items or iss pport this" Maybe. "would you participate" not right now. I'm already on c that need to be answered
23	Yes, I support this. Yes, I would participate	
24	Yes. Yes.	
25	No. Too many restrictions, not enough creativity	
26	Yes I support this because each DHHL community will need these associations to help the communities informed on community activities. So yes I support the election of homestead boards, and yes I would participate	
27	Yes	
28	Yes	
29	Yes, I support this. Yes, I would participate	
30	Yes. Too old - 88 year old	
		IF I become a homeowner, I would be all means want a "fair" democratic election - in other words, I would like to have an input!?! What does the homestead association boards do? Do they get paid of some sort, and who or where does it come from?
31	Yes. Big Mahalo!	I think this is the natural way to decide on who will be most responsible with implementing planning and execution of development in specific areas.
32	Yes. Big Mahalo!	
33		
34	Yes. I would be honored to participate. I love and still is active in my present community. I've been a past NB board member for 11 years. Because it's no use if I have a bad credit and also disable and can't do anything to participate in, and also I can't work to have what I want as a 85% Hawaiian.	
35		I think I wouldn't just because I don't get involved much and so I don't feel like my vote would be meaningful. So it's not the association, it's me as a person.
36		
37	Yes double Yes!	
38	Yes.	
39	Truly support this! Why? - Pride of Home ownership. No prideful/ I, I, mel Mel! But, me and us! Working together Ho'olala Plan! Ho'okumu, to start Kupu to grow Ka'ohi to Harvest Ho'omakua to mature.	
40	Yes.	
41	Yes I support homestead association boards. I may be interested in participating and would like to see if the achievements and goals of these boards are a success.	
42	Yes and yes.	
43	I support this and looking forward to participating.	
44	Yes, I have participated as a paid member of the Nānākuli Hawaiian Homestead Assn.	
45	That would be the just way to bring tenants around.	
		Yes! This practice is the only one I continuously support and participate in because it reflects the will of the majority and the natural consequence of established democratic principles. To do otherwise would be like leading sheep to the slaughter or leaving power to only a few and the potential of weakening associations and communities while benefiting only the few.
46		
47	Likely most associations, participation is scarce. I don't think I would participate because I don't think an association board has much power. I believe a lot of the homesteaders are content to just have a lot. It would be difficult to change peoples' attitudes towards this goal.	
48	I support a democratic election of Hmstd boards. Being involved with a board that was set up with DCCR's and By-laws. I assumed all Homestead Boards were on the Board by way of a democratic election.	
49	Yes.	
50	Yes, this exists already in our association. We don't need a 3rd party designated by the dept. to over see this. It can be done effective in house.	
51	Yes I support a democratic election, that is how my association does it. We already hit Ka'ohi	
52	Yes.	
53	Yes. No. My job-home, families need take all I have	

54	Yes.
55	(No) Because I'm already under (Guardianship)
56	I would if I had a car. I don't drive and meetings always late of days. I'm busy.
57	I don't know. I don't support it.
58	Yes, Yes.
59	Yes, I think I would support this, I say I think because I don't know enough about it but I think it's something good and yes I would participate if elected too.
60	Yes, I support and hope for new faces to come on board.
61	I do support it, and yes I would participate.
62	Yes. Yes. Let's move in this area. All to often elections are based on popularity or group pressures, sometimes small, limited or poorly thought though reasons and choices of who would be a good leader.
63	Yes, Yes!
64	I support boards as long as all parties are fair and everyone gets equality.
65	Yes. To help control the situation in the homestead to have order. Also to have respect for one another but it also starts with our leadership showing good examples, be honest in there dealing with people.
66	YesYes
67	Yes I support this and would participate. We live in a democratic society. It is the best method.
68	I would love to participate, but explain re: the democratic election part?
69	I support it and would be willing to participate.
70	Is support the election of homestead association boards. I would participate if there's full support by DHHL. Also if there is need to keep leadership on the board in tune with the majority of homesteaders instead of self or special interests groups. Also DHHL must be willing to fully enforce the board's findings on homesteaders who fail to follow the rules of the association as it pertains and follows the rules of DHHL i.e. failing to pay asso. fee; failure to keep yard and surrounding community clean. Keep active contract and follow up with board leadership issues which is brought to their attention.
71	Yes, Yes.
72	Yes if can, (handi-cap now)
73	Support-Yes participate-yes
74	I support this, it would make communication between all concerned informative and responsible. I would participate.
75	Not sure what this is I have a lot to read of this.
76	I'm not sure. I've never been involved. I think it's time for me to be pro-active. Can you send me information?
77	I think that would be great, but boards need to be trained to take on active stand. We have boards in our communities now that do nothing or pass the buck. Why serve on a board if this is your mentality.
78	Yes. Yes. We need to have leadership a start. However the board of Homestead needs to have training and evaluations everytime. Many like improvement and prestige; but not really understanding their positions to the community with the responsibility and accountability.
79	Yes I would like to be part of Homestead Association Board so that I could help shape our community.
80	At this time I am still waiting on a home lease when I become part of the community then I would consider it a privilege to vote for a board.
81	Hope its not too expensive of a procedure?
82	I am a Kupuna and Caregiver, unable to participate but I do support Kulia Nu'u
83	Yes.
84	More boards, more nepotism, more okole filling seats, and collecting paychecks w/o oversight. More ammunition for those who would have DHHL. Shut down.
85	I would like to but too much politics involved. No more common sense. Only greed. Hard to find good leaders. Mo more aloha. Call me Kealoh~ 28-3318
86	Yes.

87	Yes support is what I want, we the Ho'ina.
88	No. No capacity of most associations are volunteers. DHHL has representatives to take care of concerns. Project Manager and Office.
89	Is there another way?- other than "democratic election?"
90	Not at this time.
91	Yes- If I was a homesteader.
92	Yes.
93	I would.
94	Yes- very much. No- because it is for our younger generation to learn. I love too if I was younger in my fifties.
95	Yes.
96	If their mission is to serve ALL Hawaiians (60 years and older) I do support!
97	If it'll beneficial participating parties then by all means yes I do support and will participate.
98	Yes and I would participate in it.
99	Just got on the list and this is new to me. I haven't been involved til now. I'm getting these notices. I'm on the bottom of the list. I encouraged my Kapuna's in the 1970's to sign and they died before they were eligible. I think I'd probably be the same.
100	I don't believe in "majority rule" The majority is not always correct and the rest must suffer. I believe in electing those qualified. Can't participate-age 78.
101	YES, I would participate in our homestead association board if I do get elected to serve; unless it's voluntary basis.
102	Yes. No-Right now I'm busy working on my masters in special education.
103	Not sure.
104	Are they supposed to be the watching out for the community? IF they are, then that's a good idea.
105	Yes, we support this and would participate if possible. Due to health communications our involvement would be limited.
106	Yes!!
107	Yes I shall support and participate in anyway possibly to my utilities.
108	I would support a democratic election of homestead association boards.
109	No because I don't see change in our homestead. What I see is too many of our homestead children and grand-children are doing too much alcohol, and drugs in our home and not keep the road clean and yards.
110	Yes! We have an elected board, also association is a 501c3 non-profit. We have tried out to lessees but very poor participation. I'm sure a lot of DHHL associations experience the same problem.
111	I need information to support or not support this education.
112	Yes I would support this process in election of the homestead board members, and yes I would be happy to participate.
113	Yes.
114	I support this plan. No- I plan to transfer my homestead to my son.
115	Tiered situation. For example, younger people with more education making decisions for older, retired people. The younger ones don't have the life experiences of the older generation so making sure that ALL voices are heard is key. The very last thing our people need are more divisive parameters placed upon them. Growing everyone's experiences together will provide for a more solid community. If this is not the approach I would not participate.
116	I have participated in the past but attendance is always very low. Perhaps incentive should be offered to get people to attend. Maybe if we are offered a credit toward dues, people would attend and vote. I don't think 10 people choosing the assn. board members is a fair democratic process.
117	Too old.
118	Yes. Because of their familiarity with the formalities on how this works and yes I would participate.
119	Yes, Yes
120	We actually have no say in homestead meetings?
121	No I don't like to be controlled. I like living the old way just respect and vice versa.
122	Yes.

123	1. Yes. 2. No 3. Don't live on Hawaiian homelands.
124	It's okay. I don't want to participate because medically I can't give my all to strive towards all the goals (we) want to achieve.
125	Yes, I would participate
126	Need more information
127	Yes, Yes, Absolutely Yes
128	Yes, I support this and will participate.
129	Yes, I support this association board. Yes, I probably would participate. To know more and maybe hands on, to learn more. This is obvious but the less interference by DHHL the better.
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131	Yes. Need to have willing participants to run for positions without hidden agendas. Perhaps working with younger Hawaiians who are educated on HHL schools (those located on DHHL lands) and recruiting them as part of the citizenship.
132	It is not the associations that should be elected, it is the Hawaiian Homes Commission.
133	I would like to participate for more information that I need to know about Kulia i ka Nu'u for future use of ideas.
134	Yes however it is difficult to leave elections up to the community associations that are not running well. DHHL should help assist these associations.
135	Yes, probably - its time consuming, hard to get people to focus as a whole, sometimes individuals can hold the group back.
136	Association boards vary in democratic degrees. Canoe clubs/scouting groups make up associations but are patriarchial. There are many loose associations which are non governance, rather information sharing.
137	Yes, I will support and participate.
138	Yes!
139	Yes, we presently elect democratically.
140	Yes I do support it. I would participate. However I don't have a home yet. However my son does at Kalawahine.
141	Yes. Big Mahalo!
142	Yes.
143	Yes, I think a democratic election of assn. boards would be great. I think I would participate more if DHHL could provide more support, technical, program & project development & implementation.
144	There is no difference then what they do now. I've seen where friends and they come out just for voting, & don't have much background & it frustrates those who've been involved for many years.
145	Well, we would have to see first if it works, to be able to answer this question.
146	Hey why not. EO yes! If I would benefit from it!
147	I guess I would if I could make a change.
148	Yes, I would participate I do support the democratic election of homestead association boards.
149	Same as #1 & #2 questions.
150	I think its good; possibly, need more information because I've not kept up so will read www.hawaii.gov/dhhl
151	I see this proposal as an obstacle to the Hawaiian beneficiaries. We have the DLNR, Land Commission, City Council, OHA, the military (BIG TIME), neighborhood boards, etc. I don't believe a homestead board would help us. There's "quagmire" here.
152	I do support this and no reason not to participate
153	What are the responsibilities of these boards. Are we duplicating? What power do they have? When will we elect the Commissioner's?
154	I would support this program depending on my limited time.
155	Democratic selection. Give opportunities for the marginalized in the State of Hawaii.
156	I support and will participate in democratic elections. I've seen at least one dirty trick pulled by past association leaders. The more homesteaders participating, the better.
157	Yes. N Justy & volunteering for other organizations. I would not be able to give t attention it deserves.

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23	Thank you for sending information to my home. Mahalo !
24	<p>Q: I have an ag lot which I'm living on with my caucasian hubby and have no children. Can I put a niece or nephew as beneficiary to this place? Q: I rec'd and moved on my ag lot in 1998. I keep getting Maui County tax assessment card with previous owner as lessee. Whose responsible to make corrections? I'm not notified MKK office and fwd info to Tax office but still no change. Appreciate this being cleared up ASAP. Mahalo. Lot 42B 1 E Puupeeua or 853 Puupeeua (county assigned #)</p>
25	with economy we need classes and training to grow our own vegetables / live stocks / lo'i's / flowers and trade or sell to pay rents and take better care of our childrens. What we know from those classes we can teach our childrens
26	Hawaiians need to get their act together if they want any form of self-governance. Too much bickering. Everyone has their own opinion and they think their way is the only way
27	Please provide me and wife a point of contact for technical assistance and grant in agriculture. Lani & Jaread Johnson at 947-2339
28	I am signed up for the Wailua homestead coming up in 2011 so yes I could be very interested in any programs to help out in the development of the new Homestead for we the Hawaiians Home lesser too come now and in the future
29	I believe in general that all services proposed are very important to the homesteaders' future for its community to be successful in acquiring economic self sufficiency. It helps us build "our voices". Keep up the good work!
30	Provide scholarships for Hawaiians to improve their educational opportunities and leadership potential. Economic improvement / independence will follow
31	I'm an applicant, just want to know how many more years I must wait for a house lot? I recalled at the last meeting held, a lot of applicants asked YOU the same question (outburst of frustration!!) Another thing, why do we witness a lot of lots-house lots are given or awarded to off islands applicant/homeowners rather born raised on their island, applying for lots in their backyards?? close to their employment, their ohana Do not own a p.c. nor can't afford internet services. Was told to check w/MOBI or another carrier on Oahu, cause they have low, special rates for homeowners at DHHL ?! Mahalo nui loa for your time . . . Gets nervous speaking in front of a crowd. I appreciate YOU allowing me with my comments. EF
32	Survivor rights ! Lots of Hawaiians married outside of our culture. How can we allow our Love ones (spouses) to continue living in the house after we pass. I think there should be Special Rules put in place to allow our love ones to remain in the house. Example: (1) Remain with strict conditions (2) No leases to non-Hawaiians (3) If re-married, move (4) qualified successor needed, etc. This needs to be addressed. Mahalo --
33	Overall, I think the DHHL is being pro-active with regard to affording hawaiians a four. Amount of self-determination on their respective communities.
34	My platform has always been the welfare and residents and a clean and well kept community. The value of a community brings pride to our aina and people.
35	I would like to have help with my having a home of my own and living with my wife and kids that with a being a Native Hawaiian and can't have what we should have. All I'm asking to have a house for my family to live in at Kailua-Kona to have what God says, "Be blessed?"
36	It is important to continue developing programs, grants, etc. However, sometimes just keeping up with work, family, church becomes so full as far as taking time and so to think about adding something else sometimes feel like "someone else's job" but it's not. we need to get involved. DHHL not doing enough for the Hawaiian people. The people in office take care of their ohana and not the rest. Shame on you. Look around and see the kapunas with sad faces.
37	Once I'm awarded I will be participating in Kulia I ka Nu u. For I am certified by Dept. of Agriculture to practice my trade in being a Certified Chemical Applicator. To train and educate anyone who wants to exercise the correct methods to control unforseen foliage, pest, fungus, rodents, etc. In a safe manner =)
38	I would like to speak or have someone call me regarding a counselor (credit counselor) call me so I can get my financial status up to par.
39	Educational ownership, how fortunate the Benefit of Home ownership, imagine a ... that's all mine!- Our Mahalo!
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41	DHHI should look into establishing senior living quarters for Native Hawaiians and spouses 65+ years and older. Especially for those whom on the waiting list and transferred their lease because of financial reason for seniors and keiki.
42	When does the Kanawai Final Draft go into effect for the Kanehili sub-division?
43	Micah Kane has done a lot to get Hawaiians on their land than any other previous commissioners and I commend him and his staff, but more needs to be done to get Hawaiians off that list and on their land and homes.
44	I rated your scholarship services poor. My daughter graduated from college and has been turned down for a scholarship twice by DHHL. It should be based on inheritance rather than 50% and income. It should be for all Hawaiian children of homesteaders irrespective of less than half. How can we keep more than 50% Hawaiian when this state is engaged in "global" economics, global marketing, global environmental, etc. Rectify this failure of 50% or make Hawaiians to qualify for scholarships.
45	DHHL should provide or develop some type of housing and rehabilitation program for all eligible homeless Hawaiians set aside an area or location that would be suitable.
46	I fully support the concept of third party oversight (of every participating homestead association) because a neutral party would serve as a resource for "best practices," Kuleana protocol, etc. and could serve as mediator/arbitrator for conflicts within the association I further request that this "third party" (person) reside on my home islands.
47	I am very pleased with the goals for the dept. It is very important to continue the process without faltering. The new Kanawai guidelines need to be mailed out to the homestead lessees in areas that have By-laws and DCCR's. We are still waiting almost 1/2.
48	Continue the good work that you do. Always reaffirm Prince Kuhio's mission and legacy.
49	This is a good move to encourage community activism and build hills for sovereignty.
50	I like to thank the Dept. for all the great advantages that has been delivered to my family
51	Spring of 2009, I was proud to say that I was a recipient of a \$1000.00 scholarship fund for Native Hawaiian.
52	Why? Don't we set up parials and let the, build on with contract's help. And for those who can't afford it, make a trailer park. Or tent or cabin site.
53	Wish I had my own homestead. So many years of waiting? Thought helping the Hawaiians onlu who got money? One day I will love to have my own place.
54	Think bigger. Consultation topics, sale of leases should be the norm assistance DHHL provides. Thinking bigger i.e. DHHL starting an insurance company that Kalia comm. Assoc. tap into-DHHL stating Nat than Bank or C.U. that KCA tap into. Now that's putting us ahead of the old Assoc. Boards.
55	I'd like to find out more information on all the different grants that are offered to us as members of DHHL or otherwise as Hawaiian people if possible. Thatink you very much and very much appreciated.
56	I would like to see more homestead lands open for families who are on the waiting list, especially for Molokai. Whether it's raw or structured!
57	Wow, mahalo for supporting individual/community growth through these kinds of supportive concepts abd origrams. Mahalo for true empowerment and opportunities accessible to all beneficiaries.
58	Good job! Thank you!
59	Please send me information on scholarships or grants that my ohana and I could possibly benefit from. Mahalo Nui Loa
60	N/A
61	Overall our family appreciates all these programs to help educate and assist our people to improve ourselves and others around us. Mahalo Nui Loa
62	We need to encourage our younger generation to get involved with our homestead associations, they are the future.
63	Interest: Honokowai, Maui property any update information? My family and I were interested in all planning meetings with the developers at that time, way before Le'aini cane. Just curious- Mahalo.
64	Email us on new projects, etc.
65	I really appreciate all the letters and info sent out to me. Great to hear how DHHL is going green.

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66	There has been little contact with lessees who have financially qualified and are awaiting their respective homes to be completed. A periodic update on how things or what's been accomplished and the target date if turn key situation on needs to be reaffirmed periodically like every two months at least.
67	All good in all your works. Keep it up.
68	Establish a "pride of ownership" concept for all home owners. Establish and enforce rules in this regards.
69	Micah Kane you and your staff are doing great service by this wonderful movement of, "The Gift," of getting as many beneficiaries in their homes. This century, instead of watching them die waiting for years on the "wait list." Mahalo Nui Loa. God Bless
70	Just the Blood Quorum
71	People can't be place in communities and do just what they want to do. The DHHL knows this is ongoing and chooses to ignore it. Please don't. Work on this, all the other programs have great cause, but educate the people first that live in your communities.
72	I only ask for one thing. Many words are on this achievement. Many times I become confused for comprehension. (I am sorry). I would like to be informed. However, can we have this information in a 5th grade level and to the pains. You talk about mixing poi, we kake later. Ok! Mahalo.
73	Thank you for letting me participate in this survey. I like the fact that NHDPP is trying to let lessee be part of what is said and done in their community by having there own ass./board. I would like to be part of the decision making process. Thanks.
74	Keep up the good work- Carry on with the spirit of the Hawaiian Homes- Allow Hawaiians to have their own homes- Thank you.
75	This program (plan) is very productive and positive. Mahalo Nui Loa for time well-spent and sacrificed. Love you all.
76	Thank you for this survey because it's important to keep up with new information and ideas. Its motivation for our local communities and the people involved.
77	I think so much has happened in the last decade and your dept. has made a great change and effort. "You can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink."
78	Aggressively address the issue of blood quantum now. Strive to assist or train beneficiaries on owning, financing a home off the reservation. We need to free the Hawaiian Spirit. We need to bring the Mana of Aloha Back Priority to much Pilau, pilikea, no pilikea, to Lona. Follow Aku'a's love. Aloha ke kua, Aloha no kako.
79	This is the first time I learned about Kulia I ka Nu'u for excellence.
80	Staff at site office are an important assets not being utilized. They are under staffed and left out of the loop.
81	What is the "policy" for Beneficiary Consultation? Would we need to see what the 14 Regional plans are? Would your "projects or activities which create improvements..." include things like painting and simple repairs?
82	Kapuna housing? Hilo
83	Hawaiian families need good soil and dirt on the Waianae Ag. Lots to farm and grow plants or food or taro to sell on the stores. Also need free grants to buy equipment and trackters to farm land.
84	I am happy that more Hawaiians are able to have their dreams come true. I am still trying to qualify- one day my day wil come. Mahalo for all the good work that you all are doing.
85	DHHL is only for their families and friends. So is the DLNR a copy of my letter is being sent to the president of our great (corrupt nation and Governor Linda
86	Reassess the Moratorium of the subdivision Ag. Lots. This concern was the highest in priority after voting at the Hawaii Community College. WE want to be self sufficient as an ohana. With cohesiveness in mind we need to address this in strategic planning! Please don't even try to say we need to work on it. I am sure that our members did hear the purpose loud and clear. Voted number one in priority on Aug. 4th 2008!
87	In the past I wasn't interested, but now I am and love to learn more too. I also teach my great grand children. Mahalo nui loa.
88	Kupuna ^ yrs. And older can no longer buy a home. DHHL should take care of them and provide affordable housing.
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90	I would like someone help Hawaiians get a piece of land who are getting hard time. I can some Hawaiian that have moneys and get more than c nd and pass to their family. Each person should get land and their familyuld apply too. Not pass on to family who has four. Some of us can't get land, so he can't pass to our children.
91	We need to encourage our children the importance of higher education. I want to see that grants will always be there! I thank Alulike OHA and other Hawaiian grant that was given to my grand-daughter in 2009. She will use her money in social services.
92	DHHL is doing good things and I look forward to qualifying for a home soon.
93	I heard from other families and others who obtain Homestead and Ag. And pastoral lands the right to sell when there was a real Estate boom and were asking for too much money. I thought that as to be kept amongst families, but caused a lot problems and pilikia
94	I thank you do a great deal of a job. Keep it up!
95	I do love the approach and strategic capacity of each area as moving forward for each homestead association.
96	None
97	Will attend one of the dated. Dates to hear more on these issues as I have never been involved before.
98	I rather have them build 1,2,3 bedroom condos before the money runs out. That to me is the most important. They can't build homes or people can't afford. Better have people living with a roof over their head.
99	The new item proposal (Kulia Ika Nu'u) sounds like a great idea and beginning. What is most appealing for us as home owners- (almost!) is the fact will be in a community- not just a "home" Mahalo for constantly offering new visions for us all.
100	I oppose Micah Kane's appointment as a Trustee to the Kamehameha Schools. He's not for the Hawaiian people because our Ail'i stated the Hawaiian people should be rehabilitated not evicted from their homesteads. We were in existence since the forties before the DHHL came into existence. Get them out!!
101	Mahalo for all the work you all do, I think there needs to be the barrier to trusting DHHL be broken.
102	A home on Kapahu St. I've benn on Kawalo homestead for many many years nothing, nothing is being done with this guy's cars. He has cars on the street on the property that look like a junk yard.
103	DHHL has been around for years but we have not been able to reek the benefits until now. I'm not sure why but I look forward to sow the seeds of prosperity. Aloha.
104	I see house are not repairs and fixes to live in and families need to be repachable with the families, granparents, and parents for the childrens and other and outside living in the home with Hawaiian family.
105	I already made a statement for each question above. Mahalo
106	Mr. Kane, I am a Hawaiian 100% and 71 years old. I say this because as long as I've been associated with DHHL, 1951 was when my mom and dad was offered a lot in Papakolea, Lower Kewalo. Never have I seen one as honorable as you as our commissioner. You! sir and your staff should be commended for your work. Thank you and aloha.
107	We have parking wars in our neighborhood over loaded cars on the side of our roa. People have garage but not using it. Dogs that have to be put in the backyard not in the front of our road. Shoots all the waste down the drain. Thank you very much.
108	No comment. Well presented in brochure.
109	Also, ordinary people are not familiar with parliamentary procedure or Robert's rules of order. They are "turned off" by such dealings and are intimidated
110	Do what you're doing.
111	All-in-all very pleased with the management of DHHL.. We need to utilize our assets to improve the health and welfare of the Hawaiian people.
112	My Husband and I are in need of assistance. I'm hoping to getting us into HOAP our goal is to be in a home in the next two years. Any suggestion?
113	Hawaiians must be educated to encourage and help its people. Instead of playing favorites and taking negative parts on decisions. When will our Hawaiian people work together?
114	Hawaiians need to be put on land. They should have something affordable to them not the bureaucracy of the outsider or homeowner. Many work hard but don't earn enough money but at least have "self-esteem" Give land-associations is an negative to this issue. Becomes controlling.

115	Thankful for my farm.
116	Wider streets, mail delivery, tile flooring-not carpet especially "WHITE." somebody made money off our Hawaiian considered proposed Native Hawaiian Development program plan.
117	I don't have a computer and I would appreciate maybe a PHONE line to get info. But please keep sending me documents and info on DHHL and NHDPP
118	Need to include rule that says "one lessee one vote". Should expand to one lessee has ability to be member (w/voice and vote) of only one recognized DHHL association in the region
119	Help families w/ low income !
120	Mahalo to DHHL for supporting our Waimanalo community, giving us the funds and land base necessary to provide a quality life, not just existing.
121	Thank you for all that you are doing for our Hawaiian people and community!
122	Major goal should be to get the people on the land. All else is secondary. A percentage of the income generated in East Hawaii should be given back to East Hawaii communities.
123	Democratic elections for Hawaiian Homes Commission is "NOW" necessary.
124	All comments should be that the government should help us hawaiians to do all the building of homes and electrical lines, water lines, sewer, levelling of land cleaning for Ag. Res. Patorial lands not the outsiders it is time that we Pule together forever.
125	DHHL should record presentations and post them on their web site for people to view. Please help DHHL CA become a more effective association.
126	Maybe later.
127	Great program "Kulia I ka Nu'u."
128	Very good / maikai!
129	How about solar energy for homesteaders. See how they can install it & even build it themselves? Maybe DHHL can send out questionnaire as to who would be interested?
130	Survivor rights! Lots of Hawaiian married outside of our culture. How can we allow our love ones (spouses) to continue living in the house after we pass. I think there should be special rules put in place to allow our love ones to remain in the house. Example: 1)remain with strict conditions 2) no leasee to non-hawaiian 3)if remarried, move. 4)qualified successor needed. etc. This needs to be addressed. Mahalo -
131	Yes. No.
132	I don't believe that awardees should be able to make profit by selling their lease to other Hawaiians when they got it for free just by paying the lease.
133	Most of all the questions here deals with services that's not really familiar to me.
134	As a Hawaiian, I feel that the Hawaiian culture is dying and it is a continuing matter. We have been wronged for a long period of time. Time is a great factor, I rent an apartment in downtown with mom - We both was once on the brink of being homeless, if not for my mom - me. I could be without a place I call home. The Hawaiian culture deserve more, we all live the life here on this islands, I would know how to survive here, but when I feel about other Hawaiians struggling day by day, remember time is a factor we need more information into what the future hold for us. I feel that the legislation is doing a very lousy job for the Hawaiian culture, we always have to settle for what is given or taken away from us. We deserve better, federal government, toome is doing it's part-what about the people. How can we as a culture help one another help ourselves. As one we need to stand together to kokua. I am half way into my life stage, and when I think back at the 40+ years growing up, nobody helped me but myself and my family. I am beginning to lose trust in alot of things that I feel have been taken away. We need to make a final come back. Show aloha. Hey I can go on and on but a little more insight for the Hawaiian people not just this and that - real issues.
135	I think Hawaiian Homes should use the money from OHA 3 mil to pay for this kupuna homes for the long length of time they had to wait for their Home land. My mom & dad are dead without no land.
136	A sure foundation plan that works well on both side (Hawaiian and non-Hawaiian) that can helps live our life very well.
137	I am unable to attend the meeting. Due to my work at night, I would appreciate it if info. On what was said at the mtg. presented online for those like me to keep with what's going on

		My wife signed up in the "70s." I had some "choices," however, I "checked" out 138 involves, crossing (2) streams, clearing a forest, and trespassing thru other people's properties. No infrastructure, raw forest land
139	Development program plan is excellent	
140	Will the DHHL move to increase the amount of land for future generations? Why can't the Dept purchase the 3,200 acres of County land on the Hamakua coast? Can the DHHL set up a transfer system for beneficiaries to transfer their awards to an area where they can use it!!	
141	Scholarships should be the main concern today -- Education should be enhance by Bishop in every homestead in the state promoting "home work" after school including after school activities for all elementary and middle schools! And should be "open" to all.	
142	Look at the needs of the Hawaiian population from the perspective of the younger generations who do not have land and the decrease in economic and educational opportunities.	
143	Aside from the state government, DHHL controls some of the largest acreage in Hawaii. However, lessees generally struggle financially. This program can really help improve this. However, the extremely restrictive rules could prevent any progress.	
144	Creation of reclamation water plants to utilize grey water to prosper AG lots adjoining residential subdivisions.	
145	Aloha no - I was never aware that you were involved in all these "services" now available to Hawaiian Homes recipients. Maika'i loa - However I am now 77 yrs. old & believe its "too late" for me - I leave it to my daughter now.	
146	By having a bi-monthly notice.	
147	If only DHHL commissioner(s) and /or Staff(s) of long ago had these vision(s).... Good job! Micah & staff.	
148	N/A	

EXHIBIT C

Electronic Mail and Other Correspondence



07/30/2009 08:18 PM

To <dhhl.planning@hawaii.gov>

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Subject KUlia i ka nu'u

re: #3, Democratic election of homestead association boards..

I am supportive of this section. I served on an association board for almost ten years where an election was held for board of directors instead of actual voting by the members for each office. At the first meeting of the new members, whomever wanted to be president would say so.

There is no voting for each office. 'the disadvantage of this procedure is that the person who volunteers might not be a qualified delegate for the office. Could be a person with no knowledge of how to conduct meetings, no "Robert's rules of order knowledge. no personal committment to the community. When questioned about this procedure, I was told that , "this is the way we do it" the disadvantage withthis method is that one might volunteer for the office just to keep someone else from being in that office.

"So, I firmly support #3. I would not participate because after all those years on a board, I have retired.

It is important to conduct leadership workshops, but as it is, the board members are volunteers with a regular job or two, and lack the time and or interest to attend the classes. "Especially, when traveling out of town is required. The younger generation who should assume leadership in the community fall into this work group so, most boards and officers, end up with kupuna taking on the leadership.

Thank you for sharing this information.



09/02/2009 07:44 AM

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Subject Kulia i ka Nu'u

I am responding to the survey for the Native Hawaiian Development Program Plan.

1. Beneficiary Consultation, Regional Plans, Grants - 5
Agriculture Technical Assistants - 3
HOAP Services, Scholarships - I'm personally not aware of these programs so unsure how to rate the importance.
2. Yes. I believe it would be a beneficial process for the leasees and DHHL. Sharing the responsibility and allowing the associations to participate in setting the goals and missions will allow for the flexibility needed to meet the individual and unique requirements of each association.
3. Yes, I support the democratic election and would participate on the board.
4. Creating these kinds of programs will allow for more of the matters of the association to be managed and address by the board of the association. Hopefully that will assist and lessen the duties/responsibilities for and allow for much needed time to continue development.

I'd like to know if there is an association for the Kaupea Division and if not, how I can participate. You can reach me via email at

Mahalo for all that you do! Aloha..

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07/24/2009 01:25 PM

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Subject Response to Survey

As a recap of our review of your questionnaire, for all ratings for item (1.) rating the importance of services proposed in the 2009-2011 NHDPP as it relates to Beneficiary Consultation, Agricultural Technical Assistance, Grants, Scholarships, HOAP Services, and Regional Plans, we concurred that we would agree and rate them (5) Excellent.

As for other services that the Department could consider offering would be : 1) anniversary celebrations for each developed community 2) youth counseling 3) mediation center 4) Kupuna activities/calendars to strengthen their minds, bodies and hearts 5) keiki wellness newsletter 6) yearly health clinic 7) how-to workshops

For Item (2.) referring to Kulia I ka Nu'u. We believe that it is a good approach to capacity-building for DHHL and its beneficiaries since is directed towards growth and autonomy (personal independence). Incorporating these guidelines will promote a clear definition of what is deemed sustainability and serve to ensure a long-range process for future development. Written documentation is vital at this point because we need to focus on our objectives as well as remain well-informed. No one wants to begin the process of buying a home and investing their livelihood into it only to fall by the wayside. Ongoing education in home ownership will solidify the embankments of the community and help it to thrive.

For Item (3.), the democratic election of homestead association boards are essential and we support this and would love to participate in its creation (we were part of the Kanawai planning group) and maintenance. The election of the association boards will serve the current needs of the community at-large and enlighten the homesteaders on valuable issues. An election will be able to foster the concerns of the homeowners. Furthermore, an election will stimulate the need to bind the association members in a forward-looking manner. And most importantly, any problems and issues that arise will be able to be addressed as soon as possible without it festering; if indecisiveness prolongs the issue, misinformation is likely to develop among the community and splinter groups will arise as the home development project increases in some areas. Only due diligence will be able to safeguard the sensitivity we need to respect everyone's needs.

In an election, each individual will be represented in a democratic fashion and the general consensus with regard to livable conditions will be met. BUT the created Boards and Kanawai must remain flexible. Living situations may not remain constant in some cases, so there must be the written intent of the Kanawai to be able to make 'temporary' adjustments to address each situation uniquely, not based on precedence or prior settlements. Whatever problematic situation might arise, those involved should be able to 'be the solution' because honestly, we will all be new students enrolled in learning about our new environment, our undivided interest community.

We are also very much interested in learning about the sale of leases, especially since many Hawaiian programs might be on the chopping block in the near future. The possibility of the sale of leases will enable the homesteaders to protect their investment in their homes by upgrading their financial asset status. They will be able to maintain and improve the condition of their homes. If land ownership remains impossible, the banks or lending institutions in all fairness will not be able to assist the homesteaders with any future loans because it would not be equitable for them to even consider a loan application. And since the ratio of qualified blood quantum Hawaiians are dwindling or financial qualifications dissuades the turnover of built-on properties to a qualified relative, it is almost as if you have no control over your destiny. Let us be the protagonists.

Overall, a new threat to DHHL's vision for its peoples and planned communities is approaching at an alarming rate. At this juncture in time, Hawaii is experiencing and undergoing the throes of an unstable economy. But rather than focus on all the negativity, we believe that if we struggle to carry out our responsibilities as homesteaders (first-time homeowners in Kanehili), we will be able to perpetuate the legacy. Anticipating changes in the future in whatever form it appears, we are confident that each of us can be empowered to be the 'strong link in the chain' as long as our communication with the DHHL staff never wavers. In other words, DHHL preparedness. We would appreciate your utmost assistance.

Aloha,



09/03/2009 10:28 PM

To <dhhl.planning@hawaii.gov>

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Subject Response to Native Hawaiian Development Program Plan

Dear DHHL Planning Staff:

I am submitting my response to the 2009-2011 Native Hawaiian Development Program Plan.

Sincerely,



Response to DHHL Plan-9-3-09.l

TO: Department of Hawaiian Home Lands

FROM:

DATE: September 3, 2009

RE: 2009-2011 NATIVE HAWAIIAN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PLAN /
BENEFICIARY COMMENTS

My primary concern is that DHHL currently oversees programs and activities that do not have administrative rules and procedures to guide its processes and ensure that DHHL decisions and transactions are transparent and focused on the enhancement of DHHL beneficiaries. If DHHL cannot promulgate rules and provide effective oversight over its current activities, then DHHL should focus on putting its house in order before building another.

The most prominent issue for DHHL is whether it is capable of actual development and implementation of several components of the Plan. It is imperative that DHHL conduct some type of analysis regarding components of the Plan and formulate administrative rules and policies to guide each component.

Without specific implementing language, this Plan can be summarily dismissed by each new administration that places its appointed officials in the DHHL executive offices and its 'representatives' on the Hawaiian Homes Commission. Moreover, generalized language without detail gives administrators discretionary authority to make decisions. If you speak to many beneficiaries, including myself, we have experienced DHHL's process wherein staff used their "discretionary authority" to make absurd decisions.

Discretion allows the tide to flow this way or that way depending on the Administrator and who the "players" are. It leaves the door wide open for DHHL to use favoritism and to cut deals for certain individuals or entities for general leases. It is also a venue for corruption.

When beneficiaries suddenly see Hawaiian Home Lands in Pana'ewa disappear from the beneficiary agricultural lot inventory, what should we think? What are the specific rules and procedures for these types of decisions?

When Hawaiian Home Lands are exchanged with other entities, what are the specific rules and procedures for the exchange? What are the criteria for the land exchanged? Since the exchange involves 'trust' land, shouldn't the trust beneficiaries be granted an opportunity to publicly comment on the process and verify that the rules, procedures and criteria have been followed.

It is critical to note that not only is this "Plan" lacking specific implementing language, the cost estimates lack any budget detail. Where is the money going?? It is impossible to thoroughly review and comment on an ambiguous Plan without specifics.

Based on the foregoing, here are my comments specific to the 2009-2011 Native Hawaiian Development Plan.

OBJECTIVE 1.2 AGRICULTURE

Technical Assistance: The Plan states that DHHL contracts with CTHAR to provide educational and technical assistance program to agricultural lessees. Please provide us a copy of the DHHL contract with CTHAR and the job descriptions of CTHAR employees that are assigned to assist us. I have lived in Pana'ewa Farm Lots for three years. I have not been apprised of any educational opportunities provided by CTHAR for our farmers. Without the DHHL contract language or CTHAR job description, we do not know how CTHAR is responsible for assisting us. We need to know CTHAR required contracted responsibilities to our communities so we are able to hold them accountable for supporting our agricultural and pastoral needs.

Please provide a detailed budget of how the \$550,000 for this objective will be used. As beneficiaries, we do not have any information on how these funds will be used. This is a substantial amount of money and we want to ensure that it directly benefits agricultural and pastoral lessees.

OBJECTIVE 2.3 TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Basic Nonprofit Organization Training: One of the areas of ambiguity that concerns lessees is the requirement that each Association be affiliated with a non-profit established specifically for the Association. DHHL stated that one non-profit organization could umbrella all East Hawaii Associations. Is that possible? We may compete for the same grant funding sources. We all have different missions and objectives.

In our discussions with DHHL, the non-profit would support 'self sufficiency' for our communities. A non-profit will not create the vision of 'self sufficiency' DHHL is hoping for. For our Association, establishment of a non-profit will divert us from our primary focus-farming, and deplete our already limited capacity. Non-profits are valuable as fiscal sponsors for our grants. We have numerous entities that provide that resource to us; it is nonsensical for our Association to waste our time and energy establishing a non-profit only.

There are other organizational structures that may be more appropriately suited to for each communities specific needs. To institute this requirement upon our communities without an in-depth assessment of needs and the impact this requirement would impose upon our Associations is unfair to our Associations and the beneficiaries we represent. To tie this requirement into access to larger DHHL grants for our communities is absurd. It makes absolutely no sense.

Our organizational structures will evolve as we develop the priority projects in our communities. Let each community determine how they will evolve. Do not impose a structure upon a community that may not align with their plans.

OBJECTIVE 3.1 STATEWIDE CONSULTATION OF POLICY ISSUES

¹DHHL's Community Consultation process is disrespectful to DHHL beneficiaries. Beneficiaries are either 'consulted' after DHHL finalizes decisions or not consulted at all. If DHHL 'consults' its beneficiaries, the consultation only consists of O'ahu staff providing information. Often these 'consultations' are conducted after O'ahu administrators have finalized projects.

¹ From the [DHHL COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL LEASE POLICY GUIDELINES](#), Submitted to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands by the Keaukaha Pana'ewa Farmers Association, August 2009.

In both of the following examples, DHHL failed to consult the Pana'ewa Keaukaha Farmers Association (KPFA):

1. DHHL redesignation of 140 acres of Pana'ewa agricultural land to industrial use. KPFA members '*discovered*' the 140 acre agricultural redesignation via DHHL's Website.
2. DHHL issuance of a substandard Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Safeway / Target site on Maka'ala Street. KPFA members were not consulted and '*discovered*' the EA on a State website.

DHHL must develop and institute written guidelines and procedures on DHHL Beneficiary Consultation. The procedures must include:

1. Mandatory community consultation when a project directly impacts DHHL beneficiaries.
2. Direct community association involvement in the design, planning and development of Commercial/Industrial projects.
3. Participation in community meetings of O'ahu staff that have oversight over specific projects, i.e., Although DHHL Land Management Division staff oversee the general leases and projects, they do not attend DHHL community 'consultations.'

GOAL 5-GOVERNANCE

If DHHL can barely manage its commercial/industrial leases and ensure that its general lessees are not misusing and damaging Hawaiian Home Lands, how will DHHL provide administrative oversight for Hawaiian Home Lands that are transferred to homestead associations?

Once again, it is imperative that DHHL strengthen its own core and enhance its own 'governance' capabilities. If not, this self governance dream envisioned by DHHL will be a tragic failure and DHHL beneficiaries, will once again, foot the bill to clean up the mess.

CONCLUSION

The Plan appears to be another 'white wash' attempt by DHHL to state that they did "something" for its beneficiaries and to conform to Act 302. Beneficiaries are tired of ambiguity. The DHHL Community Consultation process continues to be a charade. Recommendations made at community meetings on this Plan do not appear in the July 29th Draft Plan.

Moreover, DHHL staff did not set aside the necessary amount of time needed to thoroughly read, consider and assess the comments made on this Plan that are due on September 3rd. It is hoped that DHHL will take the time to assess and analyze data before preparing the final draft of this Plan and submitting it to the Hawaiian Homes Commission.

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TO: Planning Office
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RE: Comments to the
Native Hawaiian Development Program Plan

Guiding Principles:

- 2) Amend last sentence to include "by their expressed desire to join their respective Homestead Association".

The Bylaws of the Homestead Association dictate who can join and vote, not the Hawaiian Homes Commission, nor the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

Please refer to your *Hoomakua, To Mālie*. "Lessees within the set geographic boundaries are automatically members of the association." 'Aole Loai! All lessees, and even their family members have the opportunity to join their homestead association, per the Bylaws thereof, though all may benefit from the activities.

Amend: "Lessees within the set geographic boundaries are encouraged to join their respective homestead association."

Is DHHL trying to change prior non-turnkey developer communities to those compulsory developer-formed community associations where a quorum is never met in order to change so-called Bylaws and DCC&Rs? So sorry!

This is a prime example, contrary to the self-sufficient empowerment alluded to by this very program.

Individual Development:

- 1.1.1 Amend Eligibility to include, "or Lessee family member"
(25% or more Hawaiian ancestry).

Educate the 25%ers now, not wait till they become the "Successor Lessee"

Agriculture

- 1.2.1 Amend scope to add: DHHL contract or employ a paid 50%FTE position from the homestead farm/pastoral community, who will correlate assessments and planning of activities pertinent to the farming lessees' aspirations.

DHHL continues to hire CTAHR – we see no improvements in the number of farmers who have begun farming. Since the Farm Task Force Recommendations were accepted in 2001, only one family has begun a farming activity; that's without technical assistance from CTAHR, nor DHHL funding.

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We request to review the CTAHR reports you receive and measure the effectiveness of this continuing relationship.

Community Development & Sustainability

2.1.1 Program Design - Restructuring Grant Program

Redesign to allow grants for those homestead organizations which elect not to follow the DHHL Kulia i ka Nuu Program; the NHRF is for every beneficiary and beneficiary organization, when they can define the need.

2.2.1 Outreach Grants - Review Process:

No review of organizational documents until a sample of minimum guidelines for articles to be included are provided.

AMEND - "Names of address of current board members",
DELETE - "last three years minutes"

AMEND - Board Resolution certifying commitment to participate in the Kulia i ka Nu'u plan

That's all you need!

2.2.2 & 2.2.3 Project Implementation Grants & Regional Plan Priority .
Correct your dates

2.2.5 Federal & State Grants

Planning Office is also going to manage these contracts? 'A'ole.
What is happening to the self-sufficiency empowerment strategy?

2.3 ORGANIZATIONAL ASSESSMENT

This tool is to be provided before any orientation:
The Strategic Plan Process will identify the "stakeholders"

2.4 STAFF TRAINING

This would be ideal if Planning Office had enough staff and training to accomplish their present duties.

Providing homestead associations with training and tools does and will qualify them to provide similar services to other homestead organizations. That's part of the self-sufficiency and empowerment strategy. Remember the NHRF is for the beneficiary organizations, too!

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BENEFICIARY CONSULTATION

3.3.2 Beneficiary Group Support

AMEND SCOPE:

Cover basic costs . . . annual planning, Annual Convention and outreach to members.

FURTHER AMEND:

Beneficiary Group Support will also include Capacity Building Grants (for Strategic Planning) and Project Implementation Grants (to support Committee Work and any other additional project which may be identified by the Strategic Plan).

3.3.3 Conferences

INCREASE TO AT LEAST \$100, 000.

If you calculate for one member of 45 homestead associations and SCHHA and Hui Kakoo Board members, \$25,000 may not be enough to cover one conference: good example is what just happened – pay registration for Homestead Leadership Forum and CNHA Native Hawaiian Convention, but no travel nor lodging???????

Now, these conferences would be in addition to the "training" for Kulia i ka Nu'u Program.

I appreciate the opportunity to comment on this program. We need opportunities to participate in the "planning stage of these programs for us", Instead of just making comments, after the fact.

An after thought: Would the participation at the "Beneficiary Consultation Sessions" on the Kulia i ka Nuu be an indication as to whether this program should be presented to the HHC for approval, or not?

Thank you!

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EXHIBIT D

Comments Received After 30-Day Comment Period

Help us to better serve you.

Please take time to consider our proposed Native Hawaiian Development Program Plan. We are asking for your feedback and we will gather your comments through September 3, 2009. Please complete this survey and write your comments below, detach this form, and mail it to us at P.O. Box 1879, Honolulu, HI 96805. You may also submit comments online at www.hawaii.gov/dhhl, by e-mail to dhhl.planning@hawaii.gov, or by fax to (808) 620-9599.

Mahalo.

1. On a scale of 1 to 5, how do you rate the importance of each of the following services proposed in the 2009-2011 NHDPP:

	poor				excellent	
Beneficiary Consultation	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Agricultural Technical Assistance	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Grants	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Scholarships	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
HOAP Services	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Regional Plans	1	2	3	4	5	N/A

Other services I'd like to see offered:

DHHL assisting Native Hawaiians onto their own "hui" lands in state of Hawaii
for ex. title search, clearing vacant lot; assist w/ infrastructure, building homes to live in.

2. Kūlia i ka Nu'u is a new item in the NHDPP. Is this a good approach to capacity-building for DHHL and its beneficiaries?

O.K. As stated above, many Native Hawaiians already have lands of their own, but not enough funding to build + return to their 'aina. Pls. konaue with this first before starting up new programs. But as far as Kūlia i ka Nu'u, anything Hawaiians can benefit from is always a good thing.

3. Part of Kūlia i ka Nu'u is the democratic election of homestead association boards. Do you support this? Would you participate? If not, why?

Too Political, controlling however, gotta have a leader and hardworkers to follow so to answer your question I do support this, I probably would participate but once gets too political, I'm outta deal!

4. General comments:

When can we expect Keokea-Waiohuli project (320 acres) to get started. It's okay if we don't qualify for ZGK, just give us the lot and we'd be more than happy to make the best of it!! Give us the Aina. Don't wait till more of us up hala!

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How far does the fast walk
business in rural communities and
responsible to start it

2. Kūlia i ka Nu'u is a new item in the NHDPP. Is this a good approach to capacity-building for DHHL and its beneficiaries?

Yes - for the settlement of land
issues

3. Part of Kūlia i ka Nu'u is the democratic election of homestead association boards. Do you support this? Would you participate? If not, why?

I support this and assist and
serve a homestead association
board

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Work shops in financial all types of assistance available at the State and Federal levels.

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Yes! People make success or failure!

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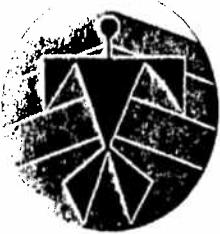
Yes! Yes!

4. General comments:

just do it!



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Re: Comments and Objections to the "Kulia I Ka Nu'u" Program, NHDPP,
Draft 7/29/09

Dear Darrell:

The following comments pertain to the *Kulia I Ka Nu'u* section of the Native Hawaii Development Program Plan, described as Goal 2.

As Hui stated at the workshop held at the CNHA Convention on August 26, 2009, and at the beneficiary consultation sessions held in July, 2009, this program discriminates against the Applicant organizations, such as Hui.

The proposed revisions to Grants (§2.2) and Technical Assistance (§2.3) of the NHDPP excludes Applicant organizations, such as Hui Kako'o, from accessing funds, training and other benefits which have always been available to Hui. It is now geared solely for the benefit of homestead associations.

This Policy proposes revisions to the Department's 4 grant programs: Outreach Grants, Project Implementation Grants, Regional Plan Priority Project Grants, and Community Economic Development Grants.

Outreach Grants

At \$15.00 per homestead lessee annually, Outreach Grants are intended to assist the association in expanding its communications with its homestead lessees. This is needed as the homestead association moves towards nominations and voting for its new upcoming democratically-elected board within Year 1. Available at Ho'olala, Ho'okumu, Kupu, Ho'omakua and Ka'ohi stages. (Emphasis added.)

Costs: \$150,000 available to homestead associations for this purpose in Year 1. Maximum at \$15.00 x number of homestead leases in association's geographical area.

Review Process: None; upon producing evidence of **status as homestead association** (e.g., by-laws, articles of incorporation . . .) [Emphasis added.]

Objection: This provision is discriminatory in that it excludes applicant organizations, such as Hui Kako'o which conducts biennial board elections, from receiving Outreach Grants. This provision gives a benefit to homestead association by making funds available to them for nominating and electing the homestead association boards, but it does not provide the same benefit to organizations of Applicants for Hawaiian Homes Lands. Hui has been holding democratically board election since 2003.

Project Implementation Grants

For community-driven projects to improve the living standards in distinct native communities. [Emphasis added.]

Eligibility: After June 30, 2010, **available to homestead associations** who have agreed to pursue democratic board elections and have completed Ho'olala and Ho'okumu stages. [Emphasis added.]

Costs: \$200,000 annually; **average grant \$25,000 to \$50,000 range.**

Review Process: Timely completed Applications are distributed to a Grants Review Advisory Committee (GRAC)

Objections: This provision discriminates against Applicants for Hawaiian Home lands, a class of trust beneficiaries, because it again excludes this class from participating in Project Implementation Grants. Hui Kako'o has throughout the years applied for and received Project Implementation Grants. Now, under the proposed amendments to the Native Hawaiian Development Program Plan, Hui Kako'o is excluded from participating in this \$25,000 - \$50,000 grant program, to the detriment of its constituents, the Applicants.

The stated purpose of Project Implementation Grants is "(f)or community-driven projects to improve the living standards in distinct native communities." Thus, Grant proposals must be: (1) community-driven (2) to improve the living standards (3) in distinct native communities. But, what is the objective standard for meeting the test. Is a project "community-driven" – when 10% of the community supports it – or should 55% of the community support it? How is the "community-driven" defined? Is it only native Hawaiians or Native Hawaiians that will be counted in determining whether or not the project is "community-driven"?

Likewise, “improve the living standards” is unclear and fails to give an objective measure for a prospective grant applicant to use when formulating its project.

The term “distinct native communities” is ambiguous. What is a “distinct native community(ies)? Is there a list of “distinct native communities”? This term creates uncertainty and confusion about the meaning.

This language gives the GRAC considerable subjective latitude for denying a proposal the GRAC determines does not meet this three-prong test. And it fails to give the prospective grant applicant specific guidance in selecting a project.

Regional Plan Priority Project Grants

For community-driven priority projects identified in HHC-approved Regional Plans.

Eligibility: Before July 1, 2010, current rules apply. After June 30, 2010, these grants are **available to homestead associations** who have conducted democratic board elections, have completed Ho’olala, Ho’okumu and Kupu stages, and are in good standing with DHHL Grants and DCCA.

Review Process: As a project that has been vetted through a rigorous Regional Plan prioritizing process, approved **Regional Plan Priority Projects** are recognized as having stakeholder support in the region. Completed timely applications are reviewed by a committee composed of DHHL staff. Considerations include project goals, work plan, and potential benefits to native Hawaiians, technical aspects, and relevance to DHHL goals. Recommendations are sent to the Hawaiian Homes Commission for action.

Objection: Again this grant program is available only to homestead associations and excludes Applicant organizations, such as Hui from the benefits. If this grant were open to Hui, we could meet the requirements of Ho’olala and Ho’okumu stages, but not the Kupu stage which requires associations “participate in the Regional Plan Process” which Hui did not for lack of notice. The meetings held during the process of developing Regional Plan Priority Project were invite-only and extended to homestead lessees of the regional area. Hui Kako’o did not receive notice of these Regional Plan Priority Project meetings and thus did not participate in them. The Regional Plans will not be revisited for 2 years per §4.1.1. Thus any homestead association which did not participate in the Regional Plan meetings for their area will have to wait 2 years to meet the requirement to “participate in the Regional Plan Process”.

Community Economic Development Grants

For planning and design of community-driven projects on Hawaiian home lands identified in HHC-approved Regional Plans that lead to financial sustainability for the organization.

Eligibility: Available to homestead associations who have conducted democratic board elections, have completed Ho'olala, Ho'okumu and Kupu stages, and are in good standing with DHHL Grants and DCCA.

Scope: These CED grants are made possible by a generous OHA contribution for (1) planning (project land use plan), (2) feasibility (business plan, preliminary engineering), and (3) design (preliminary engineering), and (3) design (preliminary architecture) studies.

Review Process: Committee composed of (minimum) one representative of DHHL, the regional homestead entity, and a third party business consultant develops an overall work plan with estimated costs and timelines. . . The homestead associations connected to the regional homestead entity are kept informed and make decisions.

Objection: Comments made in the Regional Plan Priority Projects Grant section above apply equally to this grant program. The use of OHA funds to discriminate against one class of trust beneficiaries is unsustainable. Hui has been working on a community economic development project that would be situated on a parcel of Hawaiian home lands, but not on homestead lands nor in a Regional Plan area. Access to these funds would be a great benefit to Hui if the limitation were lifted so that not just homestead associations were able to access it.

Training and Technical Assistance

By June 2010, it is estimated that at least 50% of the eligible organizations will have completed their Organization Assessments and Basic Nonprofit Organizational Training (Ho.okumu).

Objection: The Training and Technical Assistance program is equally repugnant because to become an "eligible organization(s)" the organization must have an assessment made by DHHL. However, assessments will be offered only to homestead associations (see §2.3.1, Organization Assessment). The Basic Nonprofit Organization Training (§2.3.3) and Advanced, Specialized and Project-Specified Training (§2.3.4) are only offered to homestead associations. Furthermore, receiving and completing the various trainings is a pre-requisite to gaining higher levels of excellence (Ho'olala, ho'okumu, etc.) which in turn are pre-requisite for qualifying for various Grant programs. It should be noted that when DHHL offered a Non-

profit training a few years ago that continued for a few months, Hui was one of only 3 beneficiary organizations that successfully completed the course.

In conclusion, the Kulia I Ka Nuu Program is discriminatory and objectionable for the reasons stated above. It should be revised to include Applicant organizations just as it allows Lessee organizations to access funds and benefits for its constituents. Likewise the levels of excellence should be revised to eliminate criterion that excludes Applicant organization, such as Hui Kako'o.

Sincerely,



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